

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
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- ☐ State Law Change
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SUBJECT: WORKSHOP LOCATIONS, DATES, AND TIMES FOR THE FALL ROUND OF
THE JOB ACCESS AND REVERSE COMMUTE GRANT

The purpose of this All County Information Notice (ACIN) is to advise counties of the various statewide workshops that the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Mass Transportation Program is sponsoring to provide technical assistance in the next round of the Federal Transit Administration's Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) grant application process, as provided for in section 3037 of the federal Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. The JARC program's two major goals are to provide transportation services to assist welfare recipients and low income individuals access employment, and to increase collaboration among transportation planners and providers, county human service agencies, the state, employers, and communities and individuals. Applicants in areas under 200,000 in population are to submit their application to Caltrans for review, and applicants in areas of 200,000 or more are to submit their application directly to the governing metropolitan planning organization.

Attached is a recent letter from Jim Conant, Chief of the Office of Program Development, Mass Transportation Program at Caltrans, dated July 15, 1999, to various interested transportation entities. Mr. Conant's letter provides a brief overview of the JARC grant, specific information pertaining to the date, time, and location of the JARC workshops, and a telephone number to call at Caltrans for additional questions. Also attached is an agenda of workshops.

Caltrans has indicated that the deadline for the JARC grant is unknown at this time, but is expected to be sometime in the fall. As a result of this deadline, planning time is at a premium, and counties interested in applying for the next round of the JARC grants are encouraged to attend one of these workshops. Should you have any questions regarding this ACIN, please contact Dave Nelson at (916) 654-6091. Questions specific to the attachments or workshops may be addressed to Annette Emery at Caltrans at (916) 654-8803.

Sincerely,
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TO: Metropolitan Transportation Organizations
Regional Transportation Planning Agencies
Local Transit Agencies
Caltrans District Offices Transit Representatives
JARC Grantees

The next round of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) grants will be announced shortly. The FTA has indicated that the 1999/00 grants will be due in early fall to the FTA Region IX office. The twofold purpose of the program is:

- (1) To develop transportation services designed to transport welfare recipients and low-income individuals to and from jobs,
- (2) To develop transportation services for residents of urban centers and rural and suburban areas to suburban employment opportunities. Emphasis is placed on projects that use mass transportation services.

These grants are nationwide, competitive grants. \$75million was made available in FY 99. It is anticipated the funding amount will remain the same in FY 00:

- \$45 million - Major urbanized areas (200,000 or more population)
- \$15 million - Smaller urbanized areas (50,000 - 200,000 population)
- \$15 million - Non-urbanized areas (Below 50,000 population)

Grant applicants can include Local government authorities and agencies, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and nonprofit organizations. MPOs recommend applicants in areas with 200,000 population or more and Caltrans will make recommendations to FTA on grant applicants in places below 200,000 population.

Caltrans Mass Transportation Program (MTP) is sponsoring a series of workshops to help local agencies apply for the JARC funds. The scheduled workshops are:

Date	Time	Place	Contact (Directions/Parking)
Thurs., July 29	1 pm to 5 pm	Regional Water Quality Control Board Conf. Room 80 Higuera Street San Luis Obispo, CA	Marsha Rogers Caltrans District 5 (805) 549-3246
Tues., Aug. 3	12:30 to 4:30	Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) 3000 S Street, 2 nd floor Conference Room Sacramento, CA 95816	Joe Concannon SACOG (916) 457-2264
Tues. Aug. 10	10 am to 3 pm	Red Bluff Senior and Community Center 1500 South Jackson Red Bluff, CA	Linda Medea Tehama County Public Works (530) 385-1462
Tues., Aug. 17	9 am to 2pm	Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) 818 West 7 th Street, 12 th floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017-3435	Daria Simolke Caltrans District 7 (213) 897-9342
Wed. Aug. 18	8 to noon	Tulare Co. Government Plaza Training Room 5961 South Mooney Blvd. Visalia, CA 93277	Michael Carr Tulare County Association of Governments (209) 733-6653 ext. 4885

Attached is a draft agenda for the JARC grant workshops. Information on JARC can be gained from the MTP website: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/MassTrans/welfare.htm> Please call Annette Emery, of my staff, at (916) 654-8803 if you have questions about the workshops or the JARC program.

Sincerely,

JAMES CONANT, Chief
Office of Program Development

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Agenda	JOB ACCESS & REVERSE COMMUTE (JARC) GRANT TRAINING WORKSHOPS	San Luis Obispo -7/29/99 Sacramento - 8/3/99 Red Bluff - 8/10/99 Los Angeles - 8/17/99 Visalia -8/18/99
Time	Topic	Desired Outcome
45 minutes	JARC 1 st Year-Lessons Learned <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An analysis of CA grant applications • FTA's analysis of strengths and weakness of applications • Nationwide and local trends 	A greater number of funded applications in year 2
1 hour	The JARC Grant Program and Application	Complete JARC applications
30 minutes	Defining and Finding Partners	The development of a Regional Plan and matching funds
45 minutes	Matching Funds <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TANF • DOL/WTW • CDBG • TDA • Other 	Leveraging funds for transportation projects
30 minutes	After Your Grant Has Been Approved <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DOL 13 (c) issues • TEAM • Certificates and Assurances 	Show me the money!
30 minutes	Questions and Answers	Continuous Improvement